

# Your guide to proof of identity



We take looking after your retirement savings very seriously—which is why you need to prove your identity (ID) before making withdrawals or other important changes to your account.

You can prove your ID in two ways:

- do it yourself via MemberOnline, or
- send us certified copies of your ID.

## Verify your identity online

Proving your identity online is quick and easy—you'll know as soon as your identity gets verified. Log in at [unisuper.com.au/memberonline](https://unisuper.com.au/memberonline) to get started. Only Australian residents with Australian documents currently living in Australia can verify their identity through MemberOnline.

You'll need to provide the details of two to four of the following current and valid government-issued IDs:

- Australian passport
- Australian visa
- Australian driver licence
- Medicare card.

The documents you use must contain your date of birth, given name(s), surname and residential address. Make sure you've updated your current personal details with relevant government agencies before you begin the process of verifying your identity online. We use online government and public databases to securely and confidentially verify your identity.

## Send us certified copies of your ID

You can also send us certified copies of your ID. The following guide explains the types of documents we can accept and how to ensure they're correctly certified.

### ALLOW US TO VERIFY YOUR IDENTITY

In some cases and on some of our forms, we can verify your identity on your behalf if the document(s) you provide haven't been certified correctly or can't be read. All you need to do is give us consent by ticking the box on the applicable form—and we'll try to verify your identity electronically using those documents. We'll let you know if the process wasn't successful.

## Why provide your TFN?

Giving us your tax file number (TFN) means we can process rollover and transfer requests to another super fund without additional proof of identity. If your TFN can't be validated, or you want to transfer to a self-managed super fund or organise a benefit payment, you'll still need to give us certified copies of your ID.

Visit [unisuper.com.au/memberonline](https://unisuper.com.au/memberonline) to provide your TFN online.

### STEP 1: COLLECT ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS

We'll accept either one document from List A or two documents from List B.

#### LIST A

##### A CERTIFIED COPY OF A:

- current driver licence
- current passport (Australian passports that haven't expired more than two years ago are also acceptable)

#### LIST B

##### A CERTIFIED COPY OF A:

- birth certificate or birth extract
- Australian citizenship certificate
- a pension card issued by Centrelink that entitles the person to financial benefits.

##### AND:

- Notice of Assessment from the Australian Taxation Office (less than 12 months old) containing your name and residential address
- letter from Centrelink regarding a government assistance payment
- rates notice from local council (less than 12 months old) containing your name and residential address
- electricity, gas or water bill dated within the past three months that contains your name and residential address.

## STEP 2: CERTIFY YOUR DOCUMENTS

Take your original document(s) and a clear photocopy of both sides of the original document to an authorised person.

### Your ID must be properly certified

The authorised person will need to:

1. sight the original document, and the copy, to ensure both documents are identical, and
2. write or stamp 'this is a true and correct copy of the original document I have sighted' or 'certified true copy', followed by their:
  - signature
  - printed name
  - qualification (e.g. Magistrate), and
  - date.

If you've changed your name or are signing on behalf of another member, prove the 'link' between you and the name change, or other person—use a certified copy of one of the following documents as well as your other certified ID.

PURPOSE	SUITABLE LINKING DOCUMENT
Change of name	→ Marriage certificate
	→ Deed poll or change of name certificate from the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages
Signing on behalf of another member	→ Power of Attorney
	→ Guardianship papers

When having your documents certified, remember:

- All pages must be certified.
- The copy of the document must be certified—not on a separate page attached to the document.
- Certified copies of your documents must have an original signature.
- Faxed or emailed copies won't be accepted.
- Documents not written in English must be accompanied by an English translation prepared by an accredited translator.
- Documents certified more than a year ago won't be accepted.

### Who can certify your documents

Some of the people authorised to certify IDs include:

1. A person currently licensed or registered under a State or Territory law to practise in one of the following occupations:
  - Chiropractor
  - Dentist
  - Legal practitioner
  - Medical practitioner
  - Nurse
  - Optometrist
  - Patent attorney
  - Pharmacist
  - Physiotherapist
  - Psychologist
  - Trade marks attorney
  - Veterinary surgeon.

2. One of the following persons:

- Teacher employed full-time at a school or tertiary education institution
- Agent of the Australian Postal Corporation who is in charge of, or a permanent employee with two or more years of continuous service with, an office supplying postal services to the public
- Bank, building society, credit union or finance company officer with two or more years of continuous service
- Clerk, Master, Registrar or Deputy Registrar of a court
- Judge of a court or a Magistrate
- Justice of the Peace
- Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, the Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants, the Institute of Public Accountants or the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants, or a Fellow of the National Tax Accountants' Association
- Notary public, and
- Police officer.

Visit the [Attorney General's website](#) for a full list of who can certify documents.

## Using foreign documents?

These must be translated by an accredited translator (if they're not in English) and you must have the translated copies correctly certified by a person listed in the 'Members residing overseas' section below.

### Members residing overseas

If you live overseas, the following people are authorised to certify identification documents:

- Australian Consular Officer or Australian Diplomatic Officer (within the meaning of the Consular Fees Act 1955)
- Employee of the Commonwealth or the Australian Trade Commission who is authorised and exercising his or her function in a country or place outside Australia.
- A person authorised as a notary public in a foreign country.

Your documents must be certified by a person with an Australian connection. We won't accept certifications by a someone licensed or registered to practise outside of Australia in an occupation listed above, or who holds a position in a foreign country—except for a foreign notary public.

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